

## Great Oxendon Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Present:** Councillor Steedman, Councillor Barker, Councillor Carolyn Jones, Councillor Dr Jones, and Councillor Patel Brown.

**Apologies:** Councillor Evans, Councillor Hogarth and Councillor Rumsey.

**Parish Clerk:** Peter Rowbotham

**Also Present:** - Cecille Irving Swift

**Members of the Pubic:** 1

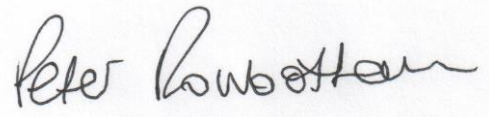
1948	<p><b><u>Welcome</u></b></p> <p>Councillor Steedman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting.</p>
1949	<p><b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b></p> <p>Councillor Evans, Councillor Hogarth and Councillor Rumsey had all offered apologies for absence. These were accepted by the meeting.</p>
1950	<p><b><u>Declarations of any Personal &amp; Prejudicial Interests</u></b></p> <p>None declared.</p>
1951	<p><b><u>Minutes of the Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019</u></b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 had been agreed by the Parish Council and were signed by the Chairman. The minutes were proposed by Councillor Dr Jones and seconded by Councillor Carolyn Jones. Unanimous.</p>
1952	<p><b><u>Matters Arising from the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019</u></b></p> <p>The location of the War Memorial Bench had been subject to a meeting between the Clerk and Councillor Barker. Approval would now be sought by the Parish Clerk for highway approval.</p> <p>A complaint has been submitted to the Highway Authority regarding the trees that had been cut back on Braybrooke Road.</p> <p>The pot hole on Main Street had been marked up by the County Council for future repair.</p>
1953	<p><b><u>Public Open Forum</u></b></p> <p>Councillor Irving Swift reported on the Golden Stables, Arthingworth, retrospective application (DA/2017/0442). There is a planning hearing on the 4<sup>th</sup> April for and this will take place at Daventry.</p>

	<p>Unfortunately, that is the week Councillor Irvine Swift was on holiday. However, both Arthingworth and Great Oxendon Parish Councils' were encouraged to attend.</p> <p>The County Council budget situation was improving. The County Council element of the Council Tax was up by 4.99% also there had also been a £70m transfer of funds from capital to revenue. The County Council had new people in post including a CEO, s151 (Finance) Officer, Transformation Officer and Director of Children. The 2018/2019 budget was expected to be on target although NCC still had the spending restriction with the existing s144 notice.</p> <p>Social Care remained the priority service with over 1000 children being in care. This is the resource intensive area of the County Council. Relationships are being built with the Social Care sector and the Police are working to reduce domestic violence which impacts on the numbers being placed in care. Gritting levels are being restored to previous levels following feedback. NCC have also received extra Government money ringfenced for pot hole repairs.</p> <p>The move to a unitary status is still progressing although the legislative process is being affected by the Brexit issues at Government level.</p> <p>The Kelmash Wind Farm Funds was discussed. Applications for funding to the Kelmash Wind Farm Committee are all assessed by the Wind Farm Trust. Once they have been approved it is then passed onto 'Cubico' for final approval. Payment is made via charity link and an admin fee is taken for this. A website is to be set up to accept applications and a cost will be incurred for this. This will be monitored by the Parish Council.</p>
1954	<p><b><u>Community Safety</u></b></p> <p>There was no new data to report.</p>
1955	<p><b><u>Highways and Footpaths</u></b></p> <p>The grant application to Daventry District Council had been approved and the A508 traffic scheme would now be progressing. A meeting was to be held with the County Council representatives to discuss and price the final specification. It was hoped that a further update would be available for the April meeting.</p> <p>The trees along the Harborough Road near the bus shelter had been cut back over the weekend.</p> <p>The Millennium Area needed cleaning and quotes for this would be obtained from Harborough Stone. Councillor Barker to progress.</p>
1956	<p><b><u>Community Matters</u></b></p> <p>The date for a coffee morning with the local MP was discussed. A Saturday was preferred, and the date proposed would be rearranged.</p> <p>The Parish Magazine had no editor. The deadline remains the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. The prices for advertising was awaited.</p>

<b>1957</b>	<p><b><u>Approval of Payments</u></b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Payee</th> <th>Item</th> <th>Charges</th> <th>VAT</th> <th>Total</th> <th>Powers</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>01</td> <td>On Demand</td> <td>Printing Newsletter</td> <td>£117.00</td> <td>0</td> <td>£117.00</td> <td>LGA 1972 s142</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02</td> <td>Information Commissioner</td> <td>Data Protection</td> <td>£40</td> <td>0</td> <td>£40.00</td> <td>LGA 1972 s111</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The payments were agreed by the Parish Council. This was proposed by Councillor Barker and seconded by Councillor Dr Jones. Unanimous.</p>		Payee	Item	Charges	VAT	Total	Powers	01	On Demand	Printing Newsletter	£117.00	0	£117.00	LGA 1972 s142	02	Information Commissioner	Data Protection	£40	0	£40.00	LGA 1972 s111
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<b>1958</b>	<p><b><u>Bank Reconciliation</u></b></p> <p>The bank reconciliation indicated a total of £36,954.77 within the Community and Money Manager accounts. The report was noted by the Parish Council.</p>																					
<b>1959</b>	<p><b><u>Statement of Reserves</u></b></p> <p>The Statement of Reserves was noted by the Parish Council. There was £32,442.33 identified as either being restricted or ear marked funds. There was £4,512.44 held within General Reserves.</p>																					
<b>1960</b>	<p><b><u>Parish Clerks Report</u></b></p> <p>The District Council review of Parishes was progressing. It seemed that the proposal to merge Great Oxendon with Kelmarsh had been removed from the list of draft proposals. However, it was noted that reorganisation and stream lining of Parish Councils could materialise in future years.</p> <p>A local resident had recorded his thanks to the Parish Council for the new 'Welcome' Newsletter.</p> <p>A Polling Places Review was underway, and comments could be made directly to the Daventry District Council.</p>																					
<b>1961</b>	<p><b><u>Question Time</u></b></p> <p>No members of the public were present at this part of the meeting.</p>																					
<b>1962</b>	<p><b><u>Any Other Urgent Business</u></b></p> <p>The Parish Council enquired if there were any plans was a high quality super-fast broad band service within the village. Gigaclear, the NCC contractor, had no plans to install fibre in Great Oxendon. However, it was thought that the existing BT service was running at 'superfast levels of service.</p>																					
<b>1963</b>	<p><b><u>Dates of the next Parish Council Meetings</u></b></p> <p>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019</p>																					

The meeting finished at 8:52pm

*Signed as a true and accurate record*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Rowbotham". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P'.

**Councillor Roseanne Steedman  
Chair  
Great Oxendon Parish Council**

**6<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

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